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- 1. AT STATE DINNER FOR GISCARD, BOUMEDIENE STRESSED THEME OF "THERE ARE NO LONGER ANY MAJOR DISPUTES BETWEEN ALGERIA AND FRANCE," THOUGH HE CAREFULLY MEASURED HIS WORDS AND FEW CONCRETE DETAILS DISCUSSED. PRESUME TEXT BEING REPORTED FBIS.
- 2. WOULD NOTE THAT BOUMEDIENE TOOK OCCASION TO INCLUDE IN HIS REMARKS A MINI STATE-OF-WORLD MESSAGE. SPEECH DELIVERED IN ARABIC; FRENCH TRANSLATION DISTRIBUTED WHILE BOUMEDIENE SPEAKING INCLUDED:

A. STATEMENT THAT US MIDDLE EAST POLICY BASED ON "STRATEGY OF DIVISION AND OF APPORTIIONING OF ZONES OF INFLUENCE."

B. STRESS ON "CONVOCATION OF GENEVA CONFERENCE WITH FULL AND TOTAL PARTICIPATION OF PLO."

C. DENUNCIATION OF /INADMISSIBLE VIOLATIONS" OF PARIS ACCORDS WHICH HAVE FORCED PRG TO REACT, AND OF THOSE WHO "COULD FIND NOTHING BETTER TO DO THAN BY FARCONFIDENTIAL

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OFF EXPEDITIONS SOW SEEDS OF CIVIL WAR AND LEAVE TERRAIN

STREWN WITH BOOBY TRAPS AND AMBUSHES./

3. SPECIFICS ON VISIT HARD TO COME BY. TO PRESS FRENCH HAVE HINTED AT POSSIBILITY OF ALGERIA TAKING UP ITS THREE OPTIONS FOR AIRBUS, CHOOSING DECAM COLOR TV AND A LARGE FRENCH PURCHASE OF ALGERIAN GAS. POPULAR WELCOME APPEARED TO EXTEND BEYOND NORMAL ORGANIZED BASE. FRENCH GIFT OF 19TH CENTURY PORTRAIT ABDELKADER AND LARGE COLLECTION ANCIENT DOCUMENTS WELL RECEIVED, BUT PERHAPS MORE AS JUST ALGERIAN DUE THAN AS GRACIOUS FRENCH GESTURE. WE HAVE IMPRESSION THAT NOW VISIT ITSELF A FACT, BOTH SIDES ARE GINGERLY COMING TO GRIPS WITH ITS IMPLICATIONS. LYNE

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